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United States Department of Commerce
United States Patent and Trademark Office
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Re: 10/646,002 IC Wrap Application

Commissioner for Patents;

REMARKS:

Response to Arguments:

- 1) Infectious Control Wrap is based on the uses of shared medical apparatuses and specific uses, mainly for the control of nosocomial infectious diseases, and the transfer of viruses and bacteria with shared medical equipment such as walkers, canes and other physical medical equipment and devices. The Polyethylene Foam Pad, with a HDPE (High Density Polyethylene Adhesive Film) back, creating a non-slip surface on the equipment side, and a non-porous, sanitary surface on the patients contact side, for gripping. This material is made by Sealed Air Corporation, of Saddle Brook NJ, and known as Cellu-Mask TM
- 2) The term used in the description of a "Non-Latex Rubber Material" would be clearly understood by medical professionals in the field that the Polyethylene Foam Pad, is not the toxin material, such as the latex and rubber type material used in other applications in the medical industry such as Rubber or Latex Gloves, used so widely, and which has caused highly allergic reactions and causing serious illnesses.
- 3) **Patent 696, Lim, - Breathable composite sheet structure.**
In revue of Lim's Patent 696, the patent is for the construction of material to be used in applications of thinner and lighter uses, and does not expressly imply the use of a foam pad, but of thin sheet material for use in totally different type of use as in diapers, and medical drapes, gowns, and bed clothing which is general in use and application. Lim 696, does not provide for a padding material, but a very thin sheeting material, the padding of the IC Wrap is part of the structure to help in the ability to maintain a more physical grip on the medical equipment for which it is